

the conduct of the affairs of another insured depository institution, without the prior written consent of the FDIC.

§ 303.223 Applicant's right to hearing following denial.

An applicant may request a hearing following a denial of an application in accordance with the provisions of part 308 of this chapter.

§ 303.224 Delegation of authority.

(a) *Approvals.* Authority is delegated to the Director and Deputy Director (DOS) and, where confirmed in writing by the Director, to an associate director or to the appropriate regional director and deputy regional director, to approve applications made by insured depository institutions pursuant to section 19 of the FDI Act, after consultation with the Legal Division; provided however, that authority may not be delegated to the regional director or deputy regional director where the applicant's primary supervisory authority interposes any objection to such application.

(b) *Denials.* Authority is delegated to the Director and Deputy Director (DOS) and, where confirmed in writing by the Director, to an associate director, to deny applications made by insured depository institutions pursuant to section 19 of the FDI Act.

(c) *Concurrent legal certification.* The authority to deny applications delegated under this section shall be exercised only upon the concurrent certification by the General Counsel and, where confirmed in writing by the General Counsel, his or her designee, that the action taken is not inconsistent with section 19 of the FDI Act.

(d) *Conditions on application approvals.* Regional directors and deputy regional directors acting under delegated authority under this subpart may impose any of the following conditions on the approval of applications, as appropriate in individual cases:

(1) A participant or institution-affiliated party of an institution shall be bonded to the same extent as others in similar positions; and/or

(2) When deemed necessary, the prior consent of the appropriate regional director (DOS) shall be required for any proposed significant changes in duties

and/or responsibilities of the person who is the subject of the application.

(e) *Authority not delegated by FDIC Board of Directors.* The FDIC Board of Directors has not delegated its authority to consider and act upon an application under section 19 of the FDI Act after a hearing held in accordance with the provisions of part 308 of this chapter.

Subpart M—Other Filings

§ 303.240 General.

This subpart sets forth the filing procedures to be followed when seeking the FDIC's consent to engage in certain activities or accomplish other matters as specified in the individual sections contained herein. For those matters covered by this subpart that also have substantive FDIC regulations or related statements of policy, references to the relevant regulations or statements of policy are contained in the specific sections.

303.241 Reduce or retire capital stock or capital debt instruments.

(a) *Scope.* This section contains the procedures to be followed by an insured state nonmember bank to seek the prior approval of the FDIC to reduce the amount or retire any part of its common or preferred stock, or to retire any part of its capital notes or debentures pursuant to section 18(i)(1) of the Act (12 U.S.C. 1828(i)(1)).

(b) *Filing procedures.* Applicants shall submit a letter application to the appropriate regional director (DOS).

(c) *Content of filing.* The application shall contain the following:

(1) The type and amount of the proposed change to the capital structure and the reason for the change;

(2) A schedule detailing the present and proposed capital structure;

(3) The time period that the proposal will encompass;

(4) If the proposal involves a series of transactions affecting Tier 1 capital components which will be consummated over a period of time which shall not exceed twelve months, the application shall certify that the insured depository institution will maintain itself as a well-capitalized institution as defined in part 325 of this chapter,